IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

OCTOBER TERM, 1968

No. 1047

CITY OF CHICAGO AND BOARD OF TRADE OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, *Appellants,*

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION, ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, ET AL.

On Appeal From the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

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BRIEF OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS AS AMICUS CURIAE IN SUPPORT OF JURISDICTIONAL STATEMENT

STATEMENT

Pursuant to Rule 42(1) of the Supreme Court of the United States of America, the State of Illinois Department of Business and Economic Development, as Amicus Curiae, supports the Jurisdictional Statement heretofore filed between Appellant City of Chicago and Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, and states that the questions presented between Appellants

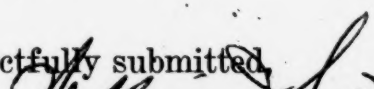
for decision by this Court are of Vital interest and concern to the State of Illinois and will have a direct and highly consequential bearing upon the international commerce of Illinois, the natural economic growth of its ports, particularly the Port of Chicago, and the well being of the total economy of Illinois.

In support of the Jurisdictional Statement filed by Appellants, the State of Illinois Department of Business and Economic Development hereby adopts the Brief of Authorities contained therein.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, the State of Illinois submits that the questions presented are substantial and are of public importance, and that the Court should note jurisdiction of this Appeal; or, in the Alternative, if the Court should believe that it is necessary or desirable that the District Court first pass on these questions, this Court should vacate the Judgment of the District Court and remand the cause to that Court with instructions to decide the questions of law presented.

Respectfully submitted,



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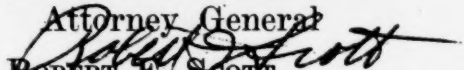

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